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CR24-01979 TUC-SHR(AMM)

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

United States of America,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Nikolas Robert Molina,

Defendant.

INDICTMENT

Violation:

18 U.S.C. §§ 922(a)(6) and 924(a)(2)
Making False Statements in Connection
With Acquisition of Firearms
Counts 1-9

18 U.S.C. §§ 922(a)(1)(A) and
924(a)(1)(D)
Engaging in the Business of Dealing
Firearms without a License
Count 10

18 U.S.C. § 924(d)
28 U.S.C. § 2461(c)
Forfeiture Allegation

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNTS 1-9

On or about the dates listed below, in the District of Arizona, NIKOLAS ROBERT MOLINA knowingly made false statements and representations in connection with the acquisition of firearms to the businesses listed below, which were intended and likely to deceive the businesses as to a fact material to the lawfulness of the sale of firearms by the business, each of which was licensed under the provisions of Chapter 44 of Title 18, United States Code, with respect to information required by the provisions of Chapter 44 of Title 18, United States Code, to be kept in the records of each listed business, in that NIKOLAS

ROBERT MOLINA stated that he was the actual transferee/buyer of the firearms, whereas in truth and fact, he was knowingly acquiring the firearms on behalf of another individual:

Count	Date	FFL	Firearms
1	9/3/2022	SNG Tactical, Tucson, AZ	One (1) Radom Sporter 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifle with serial number PAC1172246
2	9/3/2022	Turner's Outdoorsman, Tucson, AZ	One (1) Palmetto State Armory PSAK47 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifle with serial number AK007612
3	9/3/2022	Sportsman's Warehouse, Tucson, AZ	One (1) Century Arms VSKA 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifle with serial number SV7124371
4	10/1/2022	Ammo-AZ, Phoenix, AZ	One (1) Pioneer Arms Sporter 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifle with serial number PAC1174875
5	10/1/2022	EJ's Guns, Prescott, AZ	One (1) Riley Defense RAK47 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifle with serial number B49605
6	10/8/2022	Shoot Em Up, Glendale, AZ	Two (2) Century Arms VSKA 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifles with serial numbers SV7124537 and SV7122776
7	10/22/2022	Equestrian Trading Post, Tucson, AZ	Two (2) Palmetto State Armory AK47 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifles with serial numbers AKB080381 and AKB079257
8	11/17/2022	Roe Armory, Glendale, AZ	Two (2) Century Arms BFT 47 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic rifles with serial numbers BFT47016350 and BFT47016373
9	11/17/2022	Arizona State Armory, Peoria, AZ	One (1) Pioneer Arms Hellpup 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic pistol with serial number PAC118474922

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(a)(6) and 924(a)(2).

COUNT 10

Between on or about September 3, 2022, and on or about November 17, 2022, in the District of Arizona, NIKOLAS ROBERT MOLINA, not being a licensed dealer of firearms within the meaning of Chapter 44, Title 18, United States Code, did willfully

engage in the business of dealing firearms, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(a)(1)(A) and 924(a)(1)(D).

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

Upon conviction of Counts One through Ten of the Indictment, NIKOLAS ROBERT MOLINA, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any firearms involved in the commission of the offense, including, but not limited to:

Firearms	Serial Number
Radom Sporter 7.62 x 39mm semi-automatic rifle	PAC1172246
Palmetto State Armory PSAK47 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	AK007612
Century Arms VSKA 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	SV7124371
Pioneer Arms Sporter 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	PAC1174875
Riley Defense RAK47 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	B49605
Century Arms VSKA 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	SV7124537
Century Arms VSKA 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	SV7122776
Palmetto State Armory AK47 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	AKB080381
Palmetto State Armory AK47 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	AKB079257
Century Arms BFT 47 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	BFT47016350
Century Arms BFT 47 7.62x39mm semi-automatic rifle	BFT47016373
Pioneer Arms Hellpup 7.62 x 39 mm semi-automatic pistol	PAC118474922

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant: a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence; b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party; c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court; d) has been substantially diminished in value; or e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty, it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property, including, but not limited to, all property, both real and personal, owned by the defendant.

1 All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d), Title 28, United States
2 Code, Section 2461(c), and Rule 32.2(a), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

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4 A TRUE BILL

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6 /s/

7 FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY
8 Dated: April 17, 2024

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